

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and discussion presented herein.

1. **Examiner Interview**

Applicant thanks Examiner Mackey for the courtesy shown in a telephone interview conducted on March 22, 2005. During that interview, an agreement was reached on amendatory claim language that would overcome the rejection based on the prior art of record, as indicated on the Interview Summary dated March 24, 2005. Accordingly, the Applicant is submitting herewith an amendment consistent with the discussion during the March 24, 2005 interview. Because the claim amendments pertain to the subject matter of allowable Claims 29 and 31, no new issues are raised by the proposed amendments that would require further examination or search.

2. **Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103**

In the final action, Claims 1, 2, 12, 13, and 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Eggleton et al (U.S. 6,293,28), and Claims 4-6, 8, 14-17, 19, and 25-28, and were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Eggleton in view of one or more cited references. In response, the Applicant has amended Claims 1, 12, 23, 25 and 27, which are the pending independent claims, to recite the subject matter of the invention with more particularity. Based on these amendments, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1, 12, 23, 25 and 27, as well as the claims that depend therefrom, are patentable over the references cited by the Examiner.

As amended, Claims 1, 12, 23, 25 and 27 recite, in part, an impression roller having an outer periphery for depression into a first exposed side surface of a wet concrete wall, and an opposing element displaced to engage a second exposed side surface opposite said first exposed side surface of the wall. Because Eggleton, when viewed singly or in combination with any of the cited references, does not teach, suggest or provide motivation for an opposing element displaced to engage a second exposed side surface opposite said first exposed side surface, as recited in the Applicant's amended claims, the instant invention is neither anticipated by Eggleton nor rendered obvious by the combined teachings of the cited references.

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3. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 12, 27, and 31 have been amended to correct various informalities pointed out by the Examiner. Therefore, Claims 12, 27 and 31 are now in condition for allowance.

4. Withdrawn Claims

Claims 3, 7, 14, and 18 were previously withdrawn as part of a non-elected species. However, since Claims 3, 7, 14, and 18 now depend from a generic independent claim, they are now in condition for allowance.

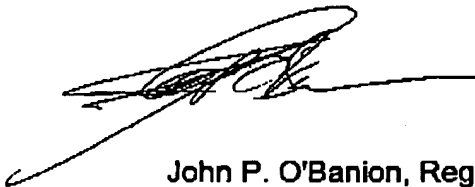
5. Conclusion

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

The Applicant also respectfully requests a telephone interview with the Examiner in the event that there are questions regarding this response, or if the next action on the merits is not an allowance of all pending claims.

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Respectfully submitted,



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